

REMARKS

Claims 8-14 remain in the present application. The Examiner has acknowledged that claims 8-14 are directed to allowable subject matter.

In paragraph 1 of the Office Action dated October 18, 2004, the Examiner objected to the Abstract of the Disclosure because it was not provided on a separate page. Pursuant to the present amendment, Applicants herewith submit the requested Abstract on a separate page.

In paragraph 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner objected to independent claim 8 of the present application and suggested that the step of "modifying the packet loss priority information..." be amended so as to read "modifying the packet loss priority information of the buffered data packet depending on the specific connection or application-specific data traffic type." Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner's suggested change has been implemented via the present amendment.

In light of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims of the present application are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

It is further submitted that a one month extension of time of \$120.00 is due in connection with this response at this time. However, if any additional fees are due in connection with this application as a whole, the Examiner is authorized to deduct said fees from Deposit Account No.: 02-1818. If such a deduction is made, please indicate the attorney docket number (0112740-217) on the account statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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